

Iowa Youth and Gambling

WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED ABOUT YOUTH GAMBLING IN IOWA



AGENCY LOGO/TAG

General Overview

- ▶ GENDER and AGE
- ▶ ETHNICITY and RACE
- ▶ LIVING ARRANGEMENT
- ▶ TYPES of GAMBLING
- ▶ RISK BEHAVIORS
- ▶ SCENARIOS

What is gambling?

Gambling means . . .

“Risking something
for a possible
reward”



TRUE OR FALSE



*Gambling does not always involve
money?*

TRUE



Gambling always involves skill?



FALSE

Gambling is always harmless?

FALSE

HARMLESS

Online gambling won't cost me anything.



FALSE

Anyone could become addicted to gambling?

TRUE



2014 IOWA YOUTH SURVEY

The Iowa Youth Survey was conducted via the internet and completed by students online through an electronic survey tool (Survey Monkey) administered by the Iowa Department of Public Health.

Respondents

77,139 students in 6th, 8th, and 11th Grade

287 of 338 (85%) Iowa School Districts

22 of 190 (12%) Non-public schools

Here is what the survey said

Have you ever bet or gambled for money or possessions?

6TH GRADE

	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
YES	18%	25%	11%
NO	82%	75%	89%



Here is what the survey said

Have you ever bet or gambled for money or possessions?

8th Grade

	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
YES	29%	41%	18%
NO	71%	59%	82%



Here is what the survey said

Have you ever bet or gambled for money or possessions?

11th GRADE

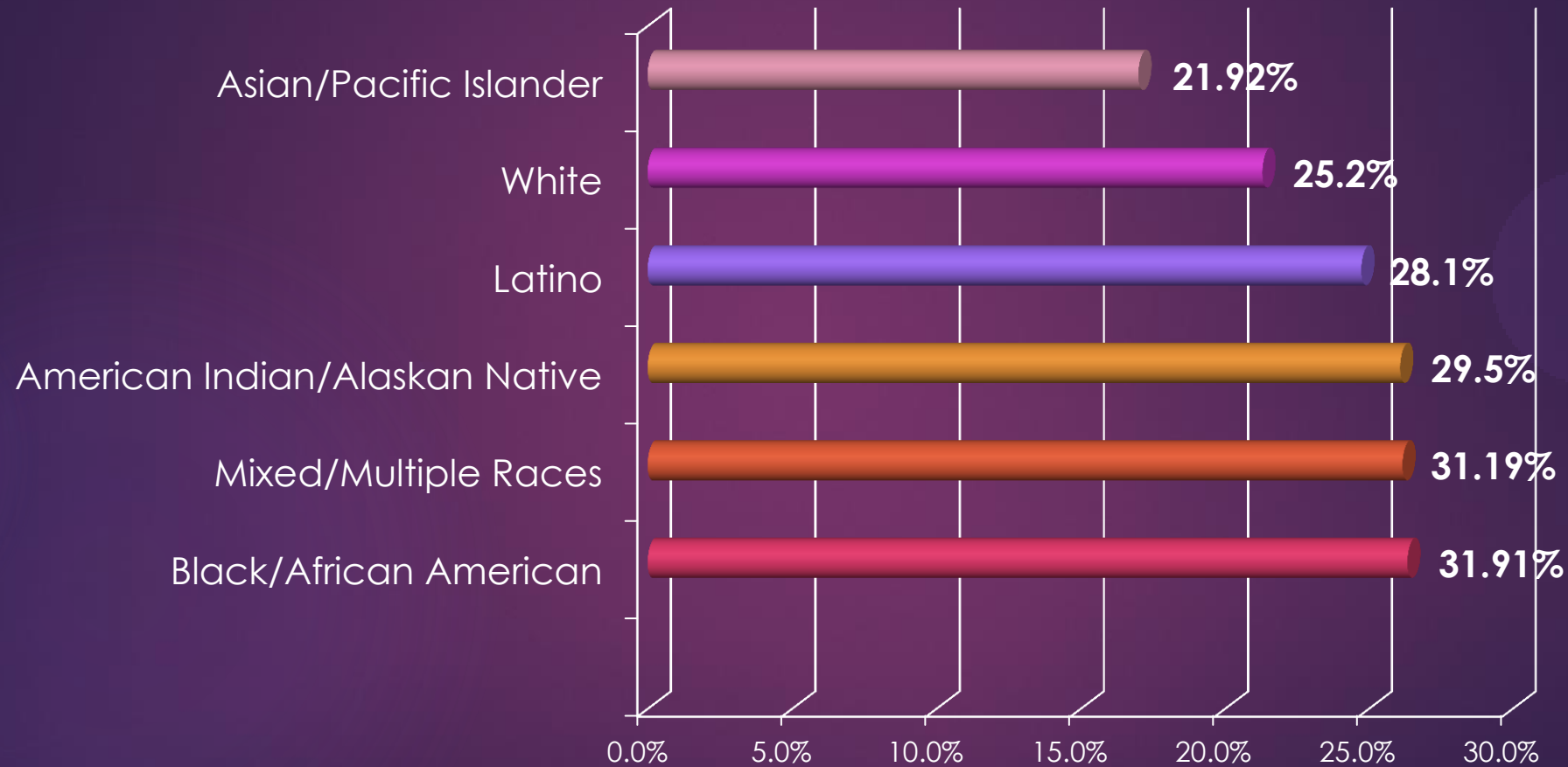


	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
YES	31%	47%	14%
NO	69%	53%	86%



ETHNICITY and RACE

Ever Gambled



LIVING ARRANGEMENT

Have EVER gambled in your life

Living with 2
Parents

25.2% of Student Gamblers

One Parent

**27.9% of Student
Gamblers**

Independent
Living

64.4%

Military Affiliated

(with deployed parents)

31.5% Total

YOUTH GAMBLING

Past 12 Months (10+times)



Cards

Grade:	Male	Female
6 th	2%	1%
8 th	2%	1%
11 th	4%	1%



Sports

Grade:	Male	Female
6 th	2%	0%
8 th	3%	0%
11 th	4%	0%



Dominoes, Bowling, & Pool

Grade:	Male	Female
6 th	1%	0%
8 th	2%	1%
11 th	3%	0%

YOUTH GAMBLING

Past 12 Months (10+times)



SCRATCH TICKETS

Grade:	Male	Female
6 th	1%	0%
8 th	1%	0%
11 th	2%	0%



ONLINE

Grade:	Male	Female
6 th	1%	0%
8 th	1%	0%
11 th	2%	0%

YOUTH GAMBLING

Past 12 Months (10+times)



Dice

Grade:	Male	Female
6 th	1%	0%
8 th	1%	0%
11 th	2%	0%



Video Games

Grade:	Male	Female
6 th	2%	0%
8 th	2%	0%
11 th	3%	0%



How much money would you spend
to gamble?

*Make a list of 5
things you like to
do...*



For Example . . .

1. **Riding Your Bike**
2. Dance Lessons
3. **Movies**
4. School Field Trips
5. **Amusement Parks**



Next, behind each activity place a \$ sign if it cost more than \$5.00 to do.....

1. **Spending time with friends**
2. **Dance Lessons \$**
3. **Movies \$**
4. **School Field Trip \$**
5. **Amusement Parks \$**



Look at one thing on your list that doesn't cost anything to do.....

1. Spending time with friends

2. Dance Lessons \$

3. Movies \$

4. School Field Trips \$

5. Amusement Parks \$





*Each time you gamble it
costs you something and
there is no guarantee
you will get your money
back.*

Is it worth it?



What is Probability?

The chance that something might happen

Probability With Ice Cream



Probability With Ice Cream



There are two types of cones:

Chocolate and Vanilla

What is the probability you will get a vanilla cone?

Probability With Ice Cream



The probability is 1 out of 2.....

Probability With Ice Cream



If there are three flavors of ice cream,
Chocolate, Vanilla and Strawberry,

What is the probability that you will get a chocolate cone with
strawberry ice cream?

Probability With Ice Cream



The probability is 1 out of 6.....

What are your chances of winning the Lottery?



What are your chances of winning the Lottery?

If five numbers are to be picked, how many combinations are there?



What are your chances of winning
the Lottery?

5,006,386



What are your chances of winning the Lottery?

Now choose one more number between 1-35, now what are your chances of picking all 6 numbers correctly?



What are your chances of winning
the Lottery?

$$5,006,386 \times 35 =$$



What are your chances of winning the Lottery?

1 out of 175,223,510 chances!



Is there a difference between a
Healthy Risk and an Unhealthy
risk?



What are some
examples of both?

Healthy Risk

- Fear of the unknown when you try out for a sport
- Learning a new skill
- Ride in a car with your seat belt on
- Ride a bike
- Others?



Un-Healthy Risk

- Gambling
- Under Age Drinking
- Riding a bicycle without a helmet
- Sticking a fork in a toaster that's plugged in
- Running with scissors



Scenario 1

James gambled in high school all of the time. Sometimes he would get caught by the teachers, but they wouldn't say anything, because other kids were doing it too.



Healthy or Unhealthy?

Scenario 2

Matthew built a atom mobile in science class and is competing against his classmates to see who can make the best one!



Healthy or Unhealthy?

Scenario 3

Cody knew his uncle liked to gamble. Sometimes he'd go to the horse races near their home after work or down to the casinos for the weekend. It seemed exciting to Cody, and it looked like an easy way to make some money.

So when Cody's friend told him about a website where you could win money playing poker, Cody checked it out. It was lots of fun.



Healthy or Unhealthy?

Scenario 4

John wants to try out for the wrestling team but he is afraid because he is the smallest person in his class. His best friend Jake encouraged him to try out to see if he makes the team.....



Healthy or Unhealthy?

Scenario 5



Imagine you are in 5th grade and one of your favorite things to do is play marbles. However, you have been told by your parents that you cannot play marbles during school.

One day some of the other kids tell you that they are going to sneak out back of the school to go shoot marbles. You know you shouldn't, but you convince yourself that it is not a big deal and you decide to go with the other kids.

Healthy or Unhealthy?

QUESTIONS



1-800-BETS OFF

IOWA GAMBLING TREATMENT PROGRAM

If you or someone you know is struggling with a gambling behavior, help is available at 1-800-BETS OFF or www.1800BETSOFF.org

REFERENCES

- ▶ 2014 Iowa Youth Survey Problem Gambling Questions Report
 - ▶ <http://www.idph.state.ia.us/IGTP/Reports.aspx>
- ▶ For more information on the Iowa Youth Survey go to:
 - ▶ <http://www.iowayouthsurvey.iowa.gov/>

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